

Amendments to the Specification:

Please make the following amendments to the specification (material to be inserted in replacement paragraphs or sections is in underline, and material to be deleted is in ~~strikeout~~).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Further included in printer 10 is a carriage, or carriage means 18, having a carriage body 18a which is mounted, through appropriate spaced bearing structures, for riding back and forth generally in the reversible directions indicated by previously-mentioned double-ended arrow 14. Specifically, carriage ~~42~~ 18 may be mounted for such movement on and along a reference track such as elongate carriage rail 20. As will be appreciated by those skilled in the art, opposite ends of carriage rail 20 may be suitably anchored, and thereby datumed, to frame 12. Such datuming for the carriage rail locks the rail in place relative to all three of the reference axes in printer 10, and also with respect to all three of the rotational motions that are associated with those three axes. The long axis of carriage rail 20 is shown at 20a. This axis parallels the X reference axis in Fig. 1. --